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Original story by "Henshin"





CHAPTER 10

INFLUENCE





WILL Q.  
THIS IS  
HAWKMAN



HELP...  
HELP  
ME...



JUN  
ARE YOU  
CHANGING



JUN  
WHY'S  
WONGSIT?



HELP!





I CAN FEEL  
THAT I'VE  
CHANGED  
SINCE THE  
MISERY...































WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?



IN A  
WAY, IT'S  
A GOOD  
THING YOU  
SHOULD BE  
HAPPY.

BUT IF  
YOU'VE  
DEVELOPED  
PTSD...



REALLY?

ONE OF  
THE MOST  
IMPORTANT  
FUNCTIONS OF  
THE RIGHT  
HEMISPHERE  
IS TO STORE  
"MEMORIES".



IT WAS MAINLY  
THE RIGHT  
HEMISPHERE  
OF YOUR BRAIN  
THAT WAS  
DAMAGED...



.....



IT WOULD  
SUGGEST  
THAT YOUR  
BRAIN IS THE  
SAME AS  
BEFORE.

SINCE YOU'RE  
REMEMBERING  
THE SHOCK YOU  
EXPERIENCED  
BEFORE THE  
SURGERY...













OHAI  
DOHAI

CAN YOU  
GIVE ME A  
DETAILED  
DESCRIPTION  
OF THE INCIDENT?



THEN WHY  
DID I DO  
THAT  
YESTERDAY  
...?



AND I SMASHED  
THE GLASS AND  
PHOTO ALBUM  
BEFORE HE  
WITHOUT EVEN  
THINKING—

THE ROOM  
WENT BY  
HIGH-SPEED  
REVERSAL  
BUT LAST  
NIGHT, IT  
REJECTED  
ME...



I  
SEE



IT'S LIKE  
I'VE BECOME  
"SOMEONE  
ELSE".  
SOMEONE  
THAT I CAN'T  
CONTROL...

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT  
MYSELF...











IT'S NOT ONLY YOU  
MANY PEOPLE DETEST TO  
SOCIETY FROM THERAPY  
OR REHABILITATION TO  
FIND A DRAMATIC CHANGE  
IN THEIR OUTLOOK.

I THINK IT'S  
BECAUSE  
YOU'VE  
BEEN  
ISOLATED  
FROM  
SOCIETY  
FOR SO  
LONG.

HARUKE-  
KUN, YOUR  
ACTIONS  
LAST  
NIGHT--



I'VE  
ALWAYS  
BEEN  
UNDERSTANDING  
AND  
POLITE!

NO...  
NO WAY



THAT'S  
WHY YOU  
SOMETIMES  
CAN'T  
STAND YOUR  
NEIGHBOURS  
BEING  
NOISY--



TEMPO-  
RARY...IT



GOOD SWINGS  
DURING RECOVERY  
ARE KNOWN TO  
HAPPEN. THEY'RE  
ONLY TEMPORARY.

HARUKE-  
KUN.





REALITY



EVERY-  
THING WILL  
BE BETTER  
IN TIME.



WHATEVER  
PROBLEMS YOU  
ENCOUNTER,  
TACKLE THEM,  
ONE BY ONE...

YES. WE'LL  
CHAT ON NEXT  
MONTH'S  
THEDAILY  
AROUND THIS.



PLEASE EN-  
TRUST YOUR-  
SELF TO OUR  
CARE. DON'T  
BE STRESSED.  
YOUR MIND  
AND EMOTIONS  
WILL TAKE A  
LONG TIME TO  
RECOVER.

YES



SAY  
IT.













THIS IS  
CLEARLY THE  
INFLUENCE OF  
THE DONOR'S  
BRAIN  
SLICE...



WE HAVE  
TO BE PRE-  
PARED.



BIRTH...  
IT SEEMS  
THAT WE  
MUST  
CONSIDER  
THE POSSI-  
BILITY.



YES.



BRAD-  
KUN.

THE  
DONOR'S  
FATHER IS  
STILL ALIVE,  
ISN'T HE?





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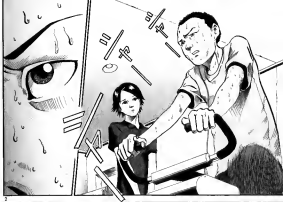


CHAPTER 11

CHANGE







DON'T  
WORK SO  
HARD, JUN.  
IT'S BAD  
FOR YOU.



HA.  
CRUT.



THERE IS  
A PART OF ME  
IN MYSELF  
THAT I CAN'T  
CONTROL.

































10 PAGES: RESEARCHING DESSMAN'S RESEARCH TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR RESEARCH







IN REALITY, THE BRAIN IS MADE OF MATTER, AS IS EVERYTHING ELSE IN THE UNIVERSE. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BRAIN CAN BE EXPLAINED BY INTERACTIONS BETWEEN DIFFERENT MANIFESTATIONS OF MATTER, MUCH AS A COMPUTER TODAY IS—



IN THE PAST, THE BRAIN WAS THOUGHT TO BE A SUPERNATURAL ENDOWMENT, COMPARED TO GOD OF SPIRITS, AND WAS UNWIT POWERED ALL AROUND.





RELAY PLASTICITY, THE ABILITY OF THE HUMAN BRAIN TO CHANGE.

THAT IS THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HUMAN BRAIN AND A MACHINE IS THAT, IN ORDER TO OPTIMIZE ITS PERFORMING OUTPUT...



THE CELLS FORMING THE NERVE NETWORK WITHIN THE BRAIN ARE EXCEPTIONALLY PLASTIC, AND ARE ABLE TO CHANGE AND DEVELOP NEW CONNECTIONS WITH EACH OTHER THROUGH LEARNING, REASONING, AND EXPERIENCE-



...THE BRAIN CAN CHANGE ITSELF.

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SOMETHING "CHANGED" IT'S OBVIOUS!



THAT'S RIGHT? WHAT I'VE BEEN FEELING ISN'T SOME "TEMPORARY" THING!







THE FEELING  
THAT, AT SOME  
INSTANT, I AM  
NO LONGER  
MYSELF...



...THAT MY  
BEING  
IS BEING  
TAKEN OVER  
BY SOMEONE  
ELSE'S...



...AND THIS  
"SOMEONE  
ELSE" IS...





...THE  
"JORDAN  
DONOR"...



I WANT TO  
KNOW MORE  
ABOUT HIM...



A  
21-YEAR-OLD  
STUDENT...  
I THINK  
HE DIED  
IN A CAR  
ACCIDENT...

THE DONOR...  
HIS NAME  
WAS...  
SENKA...  
TOMIO...  
HALE...



BUT...  
JUST WHAT  
KIND OF A  
PERSON  
WAS HE...



THE  
PROFESSOR  
STOPPED  
MY CAR...  
STRONG  
ARMADILLO...

YOU  
CAN'T!





おや



















YOU KNOW  
ABOUT THE  
DONOR....!?







SO YOU  
ARE  
"MR. A"...  
NARUSE-  
SAN.



WAIT,  
NARUSE-  
SAN!!



LET'S CALL  
IT A DAY,  
HISUO-  
SAN.



AH!



AND I'VE GOT  
A BRILLIANT  
IDEA TO GET  
HIM TALK-  
ING...

DON'T YOU  
WORRY, YOU  
SAW HIS  
REACTION  
JUST NOW.



WAIT  
...!!





WEEKLY POST: SPECIAL  
BREAKFAST

GOOD MORNING,  
NARUNI!

ALRIGHT,  
WE'LL GO



TWO DAYS  
LATER...



HEH.

THIS NARUNI-HUN  
OWEN HERE IS A PC  
CRACKER. ROBERT  
NACKING!

HEHEH...  
KEEP  
IT A  
SECRET.  
OKAY...



WHAT  
IS IT?

HURRY  
OWEN  
HERE,  
HIRUCHI-  
SAN!



THE  
INFORMATION  
NARUNI-  
SAN  
WANTS...?



NOW  
...?

...WE'RE  
ALL BET ON  
GETTING THE  
INFORMATION  
NARUNI-SAN  
WANTS--

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WHAT  
IS THAT?



AL-  
RIGHT!

HIRUCHI-  
SAN, TAKE  
A LOOK AT  
THIS

HERE  
WE GO,  
HIRUCHI-  
SAN!



A black and white manga-style illustration of a young man with a wide, confident smile. He is wearing a dark baseball cap with a light-colored brim. His eyes are looking slightly upwards and to the right. The background is plain white.

WE'LL  
BE ABLE  
TO "DO  
BUSINESS"  
WITH  
KARUSE-  
SAN WITH  
THIS, YEAH?

THE  
LIST OF  
REGIS-  
TERED  
ORGAN  
DONORS  
IN THE  
TIOC.







**HEADS**





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## **CHAPTER 12**

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### **TOKIO'S CHARACTER**







YOU SAW  
HIS REAC-  
TION THAT  
MEANT TOO,  
RIGHT,  
ROHARD-  
SAY?

YEP.



THE LIST OF  
REPOSTERED  
ORIGIN DONORS  
...?



YEAH... SEEMED  
LIKE HE REALLY  
WANTED TO KNOW  
ABOUT HIS DONOR...



YOU KNOW  
ABOUT THE  
DONOR...?



HE'LL DEFINI-  
TELY FALL  
FOR IT

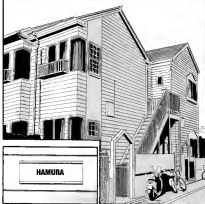
DON'T YOU  
WORRY



AND SO  
WE USE  
THIS TO  
"BURY" HIM

WOULD  
IT BE  
THAT  
EASY  
...?









AND WHAT  
DID YOU  
SAY?



THEY SHOWED UP  
AT MY DOOR, AND  
THE FIRST THING  
THEY ASKED WAS,  
"HAVE THERE BEEN  
ANY CHANGES IN  
YOUR LIFE SINCE  
AFTER YOUR SUB-  
SURY?"



YES... I...  
I'M ALREADY  
THEY MUST'VE  
FOLLOWED ME  
FROM THE  
HOSPITAL...



HAH...  
AND?



I TOLD  
THEM THEY  
WAS THE  
PERSON  
AND ASKED  
THEM TO  
LEAVE...



MEANWHILE,  
YOU SHOULD  
PROBABLY  
STAY AT  
HAKURA-  
SAY'S RESI-  
DENCE.

I'LL  
GO AND  
INFORM  
PROFES-  
SOR  
DOUGEM  
RIGHT  
NOW...



TAKESHIWA-  
SAY... WHAT  
SHOULD I DO...?











WE HAVE THE "LIST OF REGISTERED ORGAN DONORS".  
THE DONOR OF YOUR BRAIN SLICE IS INCLUDED IN IT.  
HOPE TO MEET YOU AGAIN SOON.  
PLEASE CONTACT US WHEN YOU'RE READY.

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IF I MEET THEM...  
I'LL GET TO KNOW  
WHERE MY DONGER,  
SARAYA FORTO,  
LIVED... AND WHAT  
KIND OF A PERSON  
HE WAS...?

I HAVE THE "LIST OF REGISTERED ORGAN DON-  
OR DONOR OF YOUR BRAIN SLICE IS INCLUDED



ARE THEY PLAYING  
ME...IT TRADING SOME-  
THING SO TRIVIAL FOR  
MY LIFE STORY??



RIGHT...  
IF I USE  
THIS...!

BUT... I  
STILL WANT  
TO KNOW...









...WOULD  
THE HOSPITAL  
STILL KEEP  
IT A SECRET  
FROM HIM?



BUT IF HE  
THREATENS HIM  
WITH "IF YOU  
DON'T TELL ME  
ABOUT HIM, I'LL  
GO TALK TO THE  
ANGEL..."



WOULD  
HE CHASE  
ME...



WASNT A  
"TRICK" TO  
"TRAP" HIM...



IT'S  
HIS...



THE  
SCENE...







BUT YOU  
MUST NOT TELL  
HIM YOU'RE THE  
RECIPIENT!

I BELIEVE  
THAT THE DO-  
MESTIC BOMB  
HAD NO EFFECT  
ON YOU... BUT  
WHAT CAN I  
DO... IF IT  
MAKES YOU  
HAPPY.

ALTHOUGH...  
PROFESSOR  
DOHEN DIDN'T  
EVEN RAISE A  
FEBB ABOUT  
GIVING ME THE  
FATHER'S CELL  
PHONE NUMBER



YOU  
CAN'T!

THE LAST  
TIME I ASKED  
TO MEET THE  
FATHER, HE  
WAS ALL NEW-  
YOU...



I SUSPECT I'LL BE  
AN EVEN BIGGER  
DEAL IF I CONTACT  
THE MEDIA...



ARE YOU  
THE ONE  
THAT WANTS  
TO KNOW  
ABOUT  
TOKID?











HA, TO  
GUM IT  
UP ON  
OUR LINE...



SURE...



I GUESS I'LL  
START WITH  
HIS CHARAC-  
TER...

I  
GUESS...



HE'S THE  
KIND THAT'D  
HAVE TROUBLE  
LIVING, I  
GUESS.



ALONG IT'S  
BECAUSE HE  
WAS AN ONLY  
CHILD AND WE  
SPOILED HIM...  
BUT HE WASN'T  
A PATIENT  
CHILD...

IF HE  
DIDN'T DO  
SOMETHING,  
HE'D TRY TO  
ELIMINATE  
IT...

YEAH



HAVE  
TROU-  
BLE  
LIVING...?





ALTHOUGH I  
SUPPOSE HE  
DIDN'T HAVE  
MANY FRIENDS,  
EITHER...



YEAH, HE'D  
GET INTO  
FIGHTS WITH  
HIS FRIENDS  
OVER THE LIT-  
TLEST THINGS.



NO TOL-  
ERANCE



INTEN-  
TIONAL  
VIO-  
LENCE



...AND JOE  
GABBARD  
WITH IN-  
TENTIONAL  
VIOLENCE  
CAUSING  
INJURY...

WHEN HE WAS A  
FRESHMAN IN  
HIGH SCHOOL,  
HE GOT INTO A  
FIGHT WITH  
SOMEONE IN  
THE CLASS-  
ROOM...



HE THREW  
AN X-ACTO  
KNIFE AT  
HIS CLASS-  
MATE.







HE  
THREW...  
AN X-ACTO  
KNIFE  
...



WHEN HE WAS  
HAPPY WITH  
LOOKING HIMSELF  
IN HIS MIRROR  
TO PLAY COM-  
PUTER GAMES...  
AND IT WAS  
YEARS...

WHEN  
HE WAS  
UPSET,  
HE'D  
THROW A  
THURSDAY  
AT HOME



HUN

LUCKILY,  
THE CLASS-  
MATE  
HUNNY  
SERIOUSLY  
ENJOYED, SO IT  
DIDN'T GET  
VERY BAD  
...



FROM  
HE TOLD



I  
WAS



I WAS  
GLAD  
WHEN  
TOKIO  
DIED.





HE WAS A  
DEACON THAT  
MESSED UP  
MY DAD'S  
FAMILY.



MY MERE LEFT  
BE BECAUSE SHE  
COULDN'T STAND  
HIS VIOLENCE  
ANMORE...



W-WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?



THAT  
KID



EVEN IF THAT  
IS THE CASE,  
YOU STILL  
SHOULDN'T  
TALK OF YOUR  
PROMISED SON  
LIKE THAT.

EE...  
GARDNA-  
GNA...



I WISH  
HE WASN'T  
EVEN BORN.





**WHAT  
KIND OF  
A FATHER  
ARE  
YOU!?**

**AND YOU SAY  
"I WISH HE  
WASN'T BORN"  
FOR YOUR ONLY  
CHILD!!**







WASNT IT  
YOUR FAULT  
TO START  
WITH THAT  
YOUR SON  
TURNED OUT  
THAT WAY?

YOU ACT AS  
IF YOU'RE  
THE ONLY  
ONE THAT  
GOT HURT  
....



WHAT  
DO YOU  
KNOW  
ABOUT  
BEING  
THE  
PARENT  
OF A  
CHILD  
LIKE  
THAT  
...?!

WHAT  
DO YOU  
KNOW  
ABOUT  
BEING A  
PARENT?!



WHAT  
DO YOU  
KNOW  
...







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*TOKYO'S  
CHARACTER  
MATCHES THE  
"CHANGE" I'VE  
BEEN FEELING—*

*A CHILD THAT HIS  
FATHER SPEAKS ILL  
OF... A SLICE OF HIS  
BRAIN IS IN MY  
HEAD...*

*IMPATIENT...  
INTOLERANT...  
RESORTS EASILY  
TO VIOLENCE...*



*BUT...*



...IF I KNEW THIS WAS  
HOW IT WAS GONNA  
BE... I WISH I HADN'T  
MET HIS FATHER...





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## CHAPTER 13

### BY MERE ACCIDENT







I WONDER WHAT  
TOKIO-SAN THINKS OF  
HIS FATHER... TOKIO-  
SAN, WHOSE BRAIN  
WAS IMPLANTED INTO  
MY HEAD AFTER HIS  
DEATH...









...COULDN'T  
ACCEPT ME  
THE WAY I  
WAS, LIKE  
MOTHER  
DID...



...AND I COULD  
NEVER UNDER-  
STAND WHY MY  
FATHER...

THAT WAS THE WAY  
FATHER LOVED ME...



BUT I GET IT  
NOW, I THINK.

HE WAS A  
DEMON THAT  
MESSED UP  
LIP MY ENTIRE  
FAMILY.



COMPARED TO  
TOKIO-SAN'S  
FATHER, WHOM  
I JUST MET...



...WHAT KIND  
OF LONELINESS  
DID TOKIO-SAN  
HAVE TO GO  
THROUGH...



WITH A FATHER  
THAT DOESN'T  
UNDERSTAND HIM  
ONE BIT...







HE WAS RAISED BY SUCH AN  
IRRESPONSIBLE FATHER! AND  
NOW, A PIECE OF HIS BRAIN IS  
IN MY HEAD...!











HAH-HAH  
...







...AS YOU IN-  
STRUCTED, I  
MET TOKIO-  
SANE FATHER  
AS "AN AS-  
SISTANT TO  
PROFESSOR  
DODGEN"...



I JUST REMEM-  
BERED



AH!



BUT HE...  
MIGHT NOT  
BELIEVE THAT.



I WENT...  
CRAZY AGAIN.



WHY?







W-  
WHAT'S  
THIS  
ABOUT  
IT?



WITHOUT  
REALIZ-  
ING IT,  
I...

BECAUSE  
HE WAS  
CONSTANTLY  
PUTTING  
DOWN HIS  
DECEASED  
SON...



WHAT DID  
HE SAY?



HE SAID,  
"I WISH HE  
WASN'T EVEN  
BORN."













DON'T YOU  
THINK THAT  
THIS CONVERSATION  
IS  
QUITE SODDING-  
DENTAL?



THESE  
ARE ALL  
NORMAL  
HUMAN  
EMO-  
TIONS



BEING  
HAPPY AT  
AN EMBE-  
SPONSIBLE  
EVENT

BEING  
HAPPY AT  
A NOBODY  
MOMENT



.....



DO YOU  
CONVINCE  
YOURSELF THAT  
IT'S BECAUSE  
OF THE BRACH  
TRANSFERLUM?

YOU ARE  
ABOUT TO  
EXPOSE  
YOUR ANGER











SUCH IS THE  
FAITE THAT  
YOU MUST  
CARRY...  
PERHAPS ALL  
YOU CAN DO  
IS KNOW  
AND ACCEPT  
THAT.



THE TRAGEDY  
YOU'VE EXPERI-  
ENCED, AND THE  
FACT THAT YOU  
RECEIVED A suc-  
CESSFUL BRAIN  
TRANSPLANT...  
THEY WILL ALL BE  
HEAVY BURDENS  
ON YOUR LIFE  
FROM NOW ON.

WE'RE  
ALL HERE  
TO HELP!



PLEASE  
TRUST US.  
I CAN'T TELL  
YOU WHEN  
IT'LL END...  
BUT YOU  
MUST FIGHT  
YOUR "UN-  
CERTAINTY"  
TO THE VERY  
LAST.

WE HAVE  
ARRIVED  
AT AN IM-  
PORTANT  
JUNCTURE,  
NARUHO-  
KUN.



15

YES.







MAYBE I AM  
THINKING  
TOO MUCH  
INTO IT...



DON'T  
YOU THINK  
THAT THIS  
CONDIS-  
TENCY... IS  
GLITS CO-  
INCIDENTAL?

I GUESS I SHOULD  
TRUST THE PROFES-  
SOR, AFTER ALL.

THERE'LL BE  
NO BAD TO IT IF I  
START SUSPECTING  
EVERY LITTLE  
THING...



NOW  
THAT I  
THINK  
ABOUT  
IT, IT ALL  
SEEMS  
NORMAL

I WAS  
EMOTIONALLY  
UNSTABLE  
WHEN I  
DENIED  
HAGU'S  
PECKLES.  
THERE WAS A  
REASON I GOT  
ANGRY AND  
CRASHED THE  
GLASS.







EVEN  
THROUGH THE  
EXPLANATION  
YOU GAVE HIM  
WAS QUITE  
FAD-FETCHED

IT WENT  
WELL  
TODAY...  
PROFES-  
SOR.



HAH?

WAKA-  
KUN

AS LONG AS  
HE CONTINUES  
TO FOCUS ON  
RECOVERY, OUR  
RESEARCH WILL  
BE—



I WOULD  
THINK  
THAT IT  
WILL ONLY  
WORSEN  
AS WE GO.

HIS  
"CHANGES"  
HAS JUST  
BEGUN.





WHAT WE  
NEED TO  
DO NOW IS  
DEVELOP A  
"THEORY" CAP-  
ABLE OF EX-  
PLAINING THE  
CHANGES HE  
WILL EXPERI-  
ENCE.



...BUT  
BEFORE  
HE COM-  
PLETELY  
"TRANS-  
FORMS" -  
AND CEASES  
TO BE  
KARUSE  
JUNTOKI.

AFTER  
HIS PER-  
SONALITY  
BEGINS TO  
CHANGE







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**FANDOM**

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CHAPTER 14

SOCIAL REHABILITATION







10 DAYS  
AFTER  
LEAVING  
THE HOSPITAL—



SHUT  
THE  
HELL  
UP!

I'M  
HUGGING  
FROM  
WEEKLY  
POST.

...  
ANYONE  
WOULD  
BE  
FEELING  
ANGRY  
AND  
NEED  
TO  
VENT  
SOME-  
HOW...

I WISH  
TOKYO  
WAS  
NEVER  
BORN.

SO  
MANY  
THINGS  
HAVE  
HAP-  
PENED...





AFTER THAT, MY LIFE REMAINED CALM AND EVENTLESS FOR ABOUT 3 WEEKS—



HAVE THERE BEEN ANY FOLLOW-UPS FROM THE TABLOID?



THERE WERE NO MESSAGES, EITHER...



IT LOOKS LIKE THEY NEVER WENT BACK TO LOOK FOR ME.

NO. MEGU WENT AROUND MY OLD APARTMENT TO CHECK...



WHY WOULD HE WANT?



THE TRUTH IS, MOM DUNNAN WANTED ME TO TELL YOU...



THAT'S GREAT.













MM-HMM.  
THEY WERE  
JUST FOR  
PRACTICE.  
ANYWAY



I CAN'T  
DO THAT!  
I HAVE TO  
HAVE YOUR  
PRESENT  
DONE ALL  
BY  
MYSELF



THANK  
YOU



I'VE BEEN  
SKETCHING  
YOU ALMOST  
EVERY DAY  
THAT'S WHY

OF  
COURSE



WHAT  
YOU CAN  
TALK IT  
WITHOUT  
LOOKING  
AT ME?



DON'T BE  
SHY



WOW—  
I'M SO  
EAT-  
UP!









I HAVEN'T BEEN  
TO WORK FOR 8  
MONTHS... IT KIND  
OF MADE ME NER-  
VOUS.







Bringing Onboard



PLEASE  
HELP HIM  
OUT AS  
MUCH AS  
YOU CAN

SINCE HE  
WAS ABSENT  
FOR 3 MONTHS,  
THERE MIGHT  
BE THINGS HE  
NEEDS HELP  
WITH.

NAKASE-  
KUN IS  
RETURNING  
TO WORK  
STARTING  
TODAY.

SO...  
I'VE TOLD  
EVERYONE  
ABOUT  
THIS LAST  
WEEK.



YES,  
SIR.



WELL, THEN,  
NAKASE-KUN,  
PLEASE SAY  
A FEW  
WORDS.

I WILL WORK  
MY HARDEST  
TO MAKE UP  
FOR MY LOST  
TIME AND LEARN  
EVERYTHING  
I'VE MISSED.  
PLEASE TAKE  
CARE OF ME.

I WAS  
ONLY ABLE  
TO RECOVER  
MY HEALTH  
BECAUSE I  
HAD SUPPORT  
FROM ALL OF  
YOU.

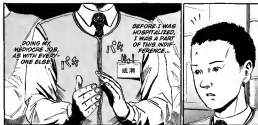


EVERYONE, THE  
PAST 3 MONTHS  
HAVE BEEN A  
PERIOD OF GREAT  
DIFFICULTY AND  
CONFUSION FOR  
ME. I'M SORRY FOR  
TROUBLING ALL OF  
YOU FOR SO LONG.









Panel 1-2: Hospital



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THERE ARE FAR TOO MANY UNNECESSARY PROCEDURES. THE WAITING TIMES ARE WAY TOO LONG, AND EVERYONE'S PLAYING AROUND...



SERIOUSLY...  
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT OFFICE...?



I THOUGHT THEY WERE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT WORK, WHEN IT'S REALLY TO AVOID THE DIFFICULT PARTS...



I THOUGHT THEY WERE ALWAYS BUSY WORKING, WHEN IT'S ONLY POOR MANAGEMENT OF TIME...

1-2

**I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING...!!**



ONE OF THESE DAYS THIS COMPANY IS GOING DOWN.

BEFORE OKAE GUT, HE SAID THIS COMPANY WON'T LAST IF THIS KEEPS UP...





I HAVE  
TO START  
PREPARING  
MISU'S  
BIRTHDAY  
GIFT.



OH WELL...  
I'LL THINK  
ABOUT IT  
LATER...



HHH



SHE'S  
TURNING 20,  
SO I SHOULD  
MAKE IT A  
LITTLE MORE  
NATURE...







WEIRD... I CAN'T SEE  
MISU'S IMAGE... NO,  
HER EXPRESSION...

THIS HAS  
NEVER HAPPENED  
BEFORE...





HER EYEBROWS,  
EYES, NOSE,  
MOUTH... I CAN'T  
REMEMBER THEM  
AT ALL!



YES... IT'S  
STARTING TO  
GET CLEARER.



THAT'S  
RIGHT...



NO, THERE IS  
NO WAY I  
COULD REMEMBER  
ANYTHING FROM  
THAT...





NOW  
I CAN  
DRAW



JUST  
NOW...  
WAS THAT  
MEQUIT







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CHAPTER 15: CELEBRATION OF THE RECOVERY





## CHAPTER 15

### CELEBRATION OF THE RECOVERY







GOING BACK TO WORK WAS SMOOTHER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE.



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WHAT HAD EVERYONE BEEN DOING WHILE I WAS GONE FOR 3 MONTHS...?



I WAS RELIEVED, BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS ODD.



I WAS AFRAID THAT EVERYONE WOULD HAVE SURPASSED ME IN SKILL, BUT THAT WASN'T THE CASE.







MAMA

MAMACHU  
WE'RE  
STUCK  
WITH THIS  
MACHINE

(Mamachuu is now a ghost.)



PLEASE LET  
ME WORK  
ON THAT  
MACHINE



MAM-  
CHUU



BUT IF WE  
AVOID WORK  
JUST BE-  
CAUSE IT'S  
DIFFICULT...

WE'LL  
NEVER GET  
BETTER AT  
WHAT WE  
DO.

I KNOW  
ALL OF  
THAT.  
BUT DATA-  
MAN



WE DON'T  
EVEN HAVE A  
MANUAL FOR  
IT... IT'S NOT  
A MODEL YOU  
SEE OFTEN

IT'LL  
BE FASTER  
TO JUST  
CHANGE  
EVERYTHING  
INSIDE.  
NARLISE.









TAALK  
TOO  
HOD  
YOUR  
HARD  
WORE.  
THE  
COM-  
PANY  
WILL  
DEFINITELY  
JUDGE  
YOU  
WITH  
A  
WONER



YES

OH...  
ANOTHER  
ONE, HARRY



OUR  
WORKFLOW  
IS  
OFTEN  
INTERFERED  
FOR  
UNNECESSARY  
REASONS

A  
LOT  
OF  
OUR  
PROCEDURES  
DON'T  
REALLY  
MAKE  
SENSE.



I  
ONLY  
WANT  
OUR  
COMPANY  
TO  
DO  
BETTER.

I  
DON'T  
DO  
IT  
FOR  
THE  
MONEY



I  
THINK  
EVERYONE  
IN  
THIS  
TEAM  
WAS  
TO  
COME  
TOGETHER  
TO  
DEAL  
WITH  
THIS  
ISSUE



THE  
WAITING  
TIME -  
THAT  
IS,  
THE  
TIME  
WHEN  
WE'RE  
NOT  
DOING  
ANYTHING -  
IS  
WAY  
TOO  
LONG.  
WE  
HAVE  
NO  
TIME  
ALLOCATED  
TO  
DESIGN  
INNOVATIVE  
NEW  
MODELS.













YEAH SO REMOVED-  
ABLE?

HE DID IT  
TO HAVE A  
LITTLE GIRL.  
YOU DON'T SEE  
MANY PEOPLE  
LIKE THAT ANY-  
MORE THESE  
DAYS!

BUT SERIOUS  
REALLY IS  
SOMETHING.  
ISN'T HEY HE  
DON'T JUST  
JUMP INTO  
THINGS FOR  
THE HELL OF  
IT



REMOVED  
WAS BEING  
TOO MUCH...

THIS IS STRANGE...  
TAKING  
IT'S A GOOD  
CALCULATION  
RECOVERED BUT  
THEY REALLY  
WANTED TO  
TO DO IT...



NOW THAT I  
THINK ABOUT IT,  
HE MIGHT HAVE  
BEEN BLUFFING  
HALF THE TIME.

I USED TO THINK  
THAT HE WAS A  
REMARKABLE  
SERIAL. UNLIKE  
THE OTHERS...



AND NOW  
HE'S ALL  
ENERGETIC.

AND THAT  
SABATA... LESS  
THAN AN HOUR  
AGO HE WAS  
TRYING TO PUSH  
THAT MACHINE  
ONTO SOMEONE  
ELSE...





























FLUCKING  
BASTARD!





















YOU WOULD  
HAVE KILLED  
HIM ON THE  
SPOT.

IF WE  
DIDN'T  
HOLD  
YOU  
BACK  
...



**WHAT...!?**





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# CHAPTER 16

## THE TRUTH LAST NIGHT













ALL YOU THINK ABOUT EVERY DAY IS HOW TO SLACK OFF, HOW TO DITCH WORK, AND HOW TO HIDE THE FACT THAT YOU'RE ALL COMPLETELY INCOMPETENT.

NONE OF YOU ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT WORK. IF YOU'RE NOT TAKING YOUR VERY BEST, ALL YOU'RE DOING IS WASTING AROUND AND WAITING FOR YOUR DEATH.

YOU'RE NOT CAPABLE OF UNDERSTANDING SOMEONE ELSE'S WORK, SO YOU INSIST THAT IT'S NO BIG DEAL TO MAKE YOURSELVES FEEL BETTER.

NOT ONLY THAT, BUT YOU GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO PICK ON THOSE THAT DO TRY TO DO THEIR JOBS RIGHT.

WHEN IN REALITY, NONE OF YOU KNOWS JACK SHIT ABOUT CREATIVITY OR HARD WORK OR STRATEGY.

YOU ACT AS IF YOU'RE ALL CREATIVE GENIUSES, JUST BOGGED DOWN BY THE CLERICAL SYSTEM.

























THE SHOP  
OWNER WAS  
GONNA CALL  
THE COPS,  
TOO, YOU  
GUYS HAD IT  
BAD.



AND YOU PULL  
THE FUCK  
ASLEEP. SO I  
BROUGHT YOU  
BACK WITH ME.



A-HEY,  
HARUO

SHAM-SAM,  
ARE YOU  
ALRIGHT?



AND, WITH YOUR  
FACE LIKE THAT,  
SURE, YOU'LL  
HAVE TO BLOW  
YOUR DATE WITH  
ARASHI-CHAN  
ON SUNDAY.



WISH I  
COULD TELL  
YA I WAS  
JOKING



DID I  
REALLY DO  
ALL THAT  
WHEN I  
WAS DRUNK  
...?

I'M...  
I'M  
SORRY

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**I ALMOST...  
KILLED SAKAI  
...!!**

**I CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT**

...



FOR GOD'S  
SAKE, MAN,  
WHAT'S  
GOTTEN  
INTO YOU  
...?









OUCH

YEAH I WENT BETWEEN  
TAKA, AND A  
FIST CAME OUT  
OF NOWHERE...  
I GOT PUNCHED  
FOR KAWAII.



EH...  
THOSE  
TWO??



THAT'S  
MORE LIKE  
IT

THE OTHER TWO



AND HE'S  
ALREADY  
APOLOGIZED

YEAH  
IT'S  
NOTHING  
MASON,  
THOUGH



WAIT OVER  
THAT WAY

WAIT  
STORES?

SO WE'RE  
SHOPPING  
FOR  
CLOTHES  
TOO??













ALL I CAN  
THINK ABOUT IS  
THE FIGHT WITH  
SAKAI-BENPAI...  
CAN'T FOCUS  
ON THIS DATE  
AT ALL.

YOU  
LITTLE!!

THERE'S  
JUST NO  
WAY TO DO  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT...

NO MATTER HOW  
MAD I WAS...

NO MATTER HOW  
DRUNK I WAS...

"YOU ALMOST  
KILLED HIM!"

WHICH MEANS  
EVERYTHING ELSE  
KAGAI SAID TO ME...  
IS ALSO TRUE...!!

IT'S TRUE... I  
REALLY DID HIT  
SAKAI-BENPAI...

OW





**HE LOOKS ODD TODAY, TOO...**



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YEAH! JUN  
ALWAYS CALLED  
HIM "SARAI-  
SAN"...



SARAI... HE WAS  
JUN'S GENERAL,  
WASN'T HE...?



BREAKING  
A FIGHT  
...?



WAS HE  
REALLY...



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JIN... WHAT  
HAPPENED AT  
WORK...!?

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HOW LONG  
ARE YOU  
GONNA  
MAKE ME  
WAIT...!?





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**CHAPTER 17**  
**PENT-UP ANGER**













HOWEVER  
DRINK I  
WAS...



I DON'T  
USUALLY  
DRINK THAT  
MUCH, BUT I  
WAS IN A  
BAD MOOD...



I CAN'T DRINK A  
LOT OF LIQUOR.  
LAST NIGHT I  
DRANK... 8 OR  
A SHOTS OF  
WHISKY??

SUNT WHAT  
ARE YOU  
THINKING?



STOP THINKING ABOUT  
IT. I'LL APOLOGIZE TO  
EVERYONE AT WORK  
TOMORROW...



YOU'RE  
GONNA BE  
SUCH A  
THERO  
WHEEL  
WOM!



IT'S  
NOTH-  
ING.









FINA, AND  
HERE I  
THOUGHT  
WE WERE  
ALREADY IN  
THE 21ST  
CENTURY

**HARDSHIP... HAH! I CAN  
BARELY AFFORD RENT  
ON MY APARTMENT.**



YOU MUST HAVE  
A LOT OF LOSE-  
CASES, THEN. IT  
MUST BE HARD  
ON YOU.



AND YET, TIME ONE  
THINKS IT'S "HARDSHIP"  
TO BE DYING SCHOOL  
AND HANGING AROUND  
WITH SOME THUGS...  
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH.



BUT SHE  
WOULDN'T  
HAVE IT.

THEN I  
CAN GO  
AND BUY  
CLOTHES  
THAT I  
ACTUALLY  
LIKE.

I KEEP  
SAYING TO  
MYSELF  
I'VE GOT  
SOME  
CASH.



I'M NOT HERE  
MUCH TOUGH,  
SO I GOT A  
HANDSAY AND  
SOME CLOTHES  
FOR HIM.

ALL  
GUILTY  
A BIT.







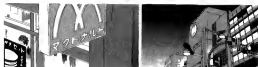






MEOW'S PROBABLY BORED, TOO...







I STILL DON'T  
KNOW WHY MEGU  
LIKED THAT MOVIE  
SO MUCH.

SHE HAD  
A GREAT  
STYLE—

AND  
ANDY'S  
DANCEY  
SO SEXY

TH-  
THAT'S  
RIGHT.  
HERE...



ON THE  
OTHER  
HAND...



THAT'S  
RIGHT!  
SPENDING  
TIME WITH  
HER NEVER  
FELT SO  
PAINFUL...

WAITING FOR HER  
TO COME...

HAVING COMPLETELY  
DIFFERENT TASTE IN  
MOVIES...







WHAT  
IS IT?

おや



WHAT?

THIS IS  
HELL.

ふ  
ふ  
ふ



THANKS  
FOR  
TODAY.



IT WAS  
NOTHING.



I WAS NER-  
VOUS THE  
WHOLE WAY  
THROUGH.

YOU DON'T SAY  
ANYTHING ABOUT  
MY USUAL LIFE  
YOU SAVED ME,  
MAN.



I UNDER-  
STOOD.



IF SHE KNEW I  
ALMOST NEVER  
SHOWED UP IN  
COLLEGE, IT'D  
HAVE TROUBLE  
GETTING MONEY  
OUTTA HER.

MY MOM  
THINKS I'M  
ALWAYS  
STUDYING  
HARD.













100,000  
YEN?!



100,000  
YEN?!

HOW HIGH  
WAS IT...  
SHE USED  
HER CARD,  
SO I DON'T  
KNOW FOR  
SURE...



FOLKS ARE  
HAPPY JUST  
KNOWING  
THAT THEY  
SPENT IT ON  
THEIR KID. AM  
I RIGHT?

IT'S  
ALRIGHT.











USUI...

JUST  
WHO...



DO  
YOU  
THINK  
YOU  
ARE!?









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**CHAPTER 18**

**FEAR**





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GOOD  
NIGHT TO  
YOU TOO



JUN... WHAT ARE  
YOU HIDING FROM  
ME...?

STRANGE, SO  
STRANGE...







THESE  
... I'M  
CALM  
NOW...



I MIGHT  
HAVE...  
KILLED...  
USUI!!

JUST  
NOW... IF  
MEGU  
HADN'T  
CALLED  
ME...



HAVE I...  
CHANGED  
...??

IS THIS REALLY  
NORMAL "EMOTIONAL  
VENTING" DURING MY  
RECOVERY...?

THE FIGHT WITH  
SARAYU-SAW... THE  
UNCONTROLLABLE  
ANGER TOWARDS  
HER... NO, THE  
UNCONTROLLABLE  
URGE TO KILL  
HER...



THAT GIRL  
WAS SO EXCITED  
ABOUT IT... I JUST  
FELT BORED.

IT WAS  
SO GOOD  
—♥—

AT THE MOVIES,  
TOO...

EVEN INTERESTS  
CHANGE TEMPORAR-  
ILY DURING RECOV-  
ERY? DOES THAT  
EVEN HAPPEN...?

THIS HAS  
NEVER HAPPENED  
BEFORE...

WE USUALLY LIKE  
THE SAME KIND OF  
STUFF...!!







*I'LL GO BACK &  
WATCH THEM.*



*THAT'S IT!  
I'VE GOT LOTS  
OF TAPES I LIKE  
AT HOME...*

*WE'VE WATCHED  
THEM OVER AND  
OVER AGAIN. WE  
LAUGHED AT THE  
SAME PLACE,  
CRIED AT THE  
SAME PLACE...*



*FANTASY, SCIENCE  
FICTION, ROMANCE, DRAMA...  
EVERY ONE OF THEM  
IS A CLASSIC.*



*I'LL DEFINITELY  
LIKE THOSE!*









HOW COULD I  
HAVE FELT SO  
EXCITED ABOUT  
THEM...?



WHAT KIND  
OF BORING SHIT  
ARE THESE...!





**FUCK!**

*I CLEARLY—*



HOLD IT...  
CALM DOWN,  
JIM...



*I'LL WAIT  
UNTIL MY CHECKUP  
TOMORROW AT THE  
HOSPITAL...*



IT'S  
KABAT...











MAKES  
THAT'S  
FOR THE  
BEST. I SEE...



RECALLS OF  
YOUR HEAD  
I'M SURE,  
DAD.



I DIDN'T  
EVEN SAY  
WHY I  
WANTED  
TO GO!

HEY  
NOW,  
WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN  
THAT'S  
FOR THE  
BEST...?



BECAUSE  
AFTER BEING  
KICKED IN THE  
HEAD...



Y-YESH  
BUT—WAIT  
MAKES YOU  
SAY THAT?



YOU'VE  
BEEN  
WEIRD.



.....  
!!





K-KASAE...  
WHAT DO  
YOU MEAN  
...?



MYSELF  
EXCLUDED!

EVERYONE  
THOUGHT YOU'VE  
BEEN WEIRD SINCE  
YOU CAME BACK... I  
MIGHT EVEN SAY  
EVERYONE'S  
AFRAID OF YOU

NOT  
JUST THE  
FIGHT WITH  
KASAE-GAL



I MEAN  
YOU'VE  
BEEN  
ACTING  
DIFFER-  
ENTLY,  
MAN.

WHAT DO  
I MEAN?

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I GET IT...

*DURING THE CELEBRATION  
PARTY... THE THING EVERY-  
ONE WAS AFRAID OF...*

*IT WAS...*

SPEAKING OF  
WHICH, KASAE...  
COULD YOU HAVE  
EXPLAINED THE WHOLE  
THING TO US? TO  
SAVE OUR NEIVES,  
YOU KNOW?





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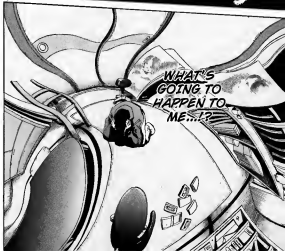
IT'S HIM!

THE  
HIBERNATING  
DONOR...

SEKIYA  
TOKIO HAS  
AWAKENED  
...!!



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WHAT'S  
GOING TO  
HAPPEN TO  
ME...!?



# HEADS







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## CHAPTER 19

### UNEXPECTED ALLY















THIS IS ONLY  
TEMPORARY

AS I  
SAID...

DOCTOR POWERS  
GAVE ME THE  
EXACT SAME  
EXPLANATION  
AGAIN—



ABOUT HOW MY  
FEELINGS TO MEN  
HAVE CHANGED  
RECENTLY... ON HOW  
I WANTED TO KILL  
WHIP-BOY.

I DON'T  
TALKING.



BUT IF  
I MENTION  
THE TWO  
INCIDENCES  
...



A TEST FOR  
EMOTIONAL  
SWAPS—

ALSO



THANKS  
FOR THE  
HELP



GETTING INTO A DRUNKEN  
BRAWL WITH A SERIAL AND  
HAVING A DRASTIC CHANGE IN  
TASTE FOR MOVIES... THESE  
SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO  
ILLUSTRATE MY "CHANGE..."

NO... THE  
PROFESSOR  
WILL PROBABLY  
JUST BRUSH IT  
OFF...!









THE MOST  
PROBABLE  
CONCLUSION IS  
THAT THE DONOR,  
SEIKYA TOKIO,  
IS EXERTING  
INFLUENCE ON  
MY BEHAVIOUR.

THE BRAIN  
SLICE FROM  
THE DONOR.



NEARLY  
REAL.



DEFINITELY  
TWO'S GOING TO  
BE DIFFERENT  
FROM MY OWN  
BRAIN...

...I'VE STILL  
FUNCTIONING  
AS IT ALWAYS  
HAS BEFORE  
ISN'T IT?

BECAUSE  
THE TRANS-  
PLANTED  
BRAIN  
SLICE.









IT WILL  
EVENTUALLY  
BE SMOOTHED  
OUT BY THE  
SIMPLE CON-  
SCIOUSNESS  
THAT IS YOU

IN  
OTHER WORDS,  
EVEN IF YOUR  
BRAIN  
EXPERIENCES  
SOME SLIGHT  
DAMAGE AND  
SUBSEQUENT  
CHANGE—



IT'S A  
COMMON  
OCCURRENCE  
TO A LOT OF  
PEOPLE  
LEAVING  
NORMAL  
EVERYDAY  
LIVES

BUT  
UNDERSTAND  
THAT SUCH  
"CHANGES"  
DON'T ONLY  
APPEAR AFTER  
BRAIN  
TRANSPLANTS

I SYMPATHIZE  
WITH YOUR  
FEAR OF A  
"CHANGE" IN  
YOUR STATE  
OF MIND



HMM?



I STILL CAN'T  
ACCEPT IT...  
PROFESSOR  
FOURNIER'S  
EXPLANATIONS  
ALWAYS FEEL  
GRATUITOUS FOR  
SOME REASON...













IS  
POSSIBLE  
IT



THIS IS  
ONLY AN  
OFFICIAL  
DECLARATION

BUT I THINK  
THERE IS A  
NEED TO  
INVESTIGATE  
FURTHER.



I CAN'T  
SEE IT FOR  
CERTAIN, OF  
COURSE...



OTHER  
WISE

YOU  
CAN'T GO  
ON LIKE  
THIS, CAN  
YOU?



YES...

THEN  
WE HAVE  
TO FIND A  
WAY TO  
STOP IT.

IF IT'S AS WELL  
SUSPECTED, THAT  
WOLF "SCANDAL"  
WAS PRECIPITANT  
ABOUT BY THE  
TRANSLATED  
MIND...



SINCE HE  
HAS ALREADY  
FINISHED WORK,  
I CAN'T  
SUSPECT  
YOU ANYTHING.

I WILL  
INVESTIGATE  
THIS SCANDAL,  
SINCE YOU

ARE I AM THAT  
YOU CONTINUE  
OFFERING CHANGES  
AND RECOVER  
YOUR CURRENT  
TREATMENT.



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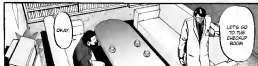


TH-THANK  
YOU VERY  
MUCH!



BUT IF I FIND  
SOMETHING  
SUBSTANTIAL,  
I'LL SPEAK WITH  
THE PROFESSOR  
AGAIN.













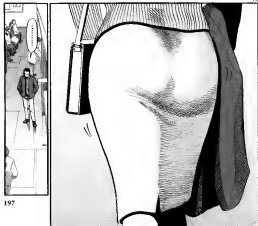








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WANTS  
TACHIBANA-  
SAN...!?

SEKKA  
TOKIO...







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CHAPTER 20

"ORE"









IS IT THAT  
THE POWER  
OF MY BRAIN  
TRANSLATES  
SANTA TOMAS  
WANTS HER?

I WAS SEEING  
TACHIBANA-SAN  
WHEN I WAS WITH  
MEGU LAST NIGHT...



I'VE NEVER  
ONCE THOUGHT  
OF LEAVING  
MEGU...!



OR IS IT  
THAT I WANT  
HER...?



BUT THERE'S  
NOTHING  
ELSE I CAN  
DO IN THIS  
SITUATION  
...

DO YOU  
WANT YOUR  
LOVER...



BUT WITH THESE  
THOUGHTS IN MY  
HEAD... I CAN'T  
SEE HER LIKE  
THIS.



I'M GOING AWAY  
FOR 3 DAYS. IT'S  
URGENT. I'LL  
WRITE AGAIN  
-SUN

























OH, YOU'RE  
BACK...!!



WHAT?  
WHY ARE  
YOU HERE?



OH...!!

WHAT?  
WHY ARE  
YOU HERE?



I THOUGHT  
MAYBE YOU  
WOULD TRY  
TO TURN THEM  
OFF. SO...

I RAISED MY  
HEEL AND SAW  
THAT YOUR  
LEGS WERE ON...



I SEE...!!



OH, YES... I  
FINISHED MY  
BUSINESS A  
DAY EARLIER...  
I JUST GOT  
BACK.











EVERYTHING  
ABOUT HER...  
EVERYTHING  
SHE SAYS IS  
PRECIOUS TO  
ME...!!

I CAN'T  
LOSE MY  
LOVE TO  
MEGU...



NO... I'M  
GETTING  
MORE AND  
MORE UN-  
COMFORT-  
ABLE...



MY HEAD  
HURTS...

I'M  
COVERED  
IN COLD  
SWEAT  
...!!!





STOP  
TALK-  
ING...



PLEASE,  
MEGU...



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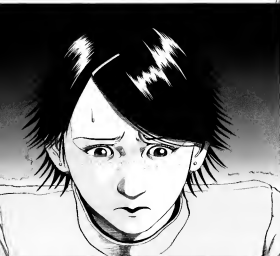
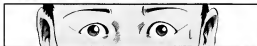




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SORRY ABOUT THAT. YOU ALWAYS BEEN SAD?



I'M SORRY, THANK YOU









"ORE...?"

I'VE NEVER  
USED "ORE"  
TO REFER  
TO MYSELF!  
WHY DID I...

I'M  
ACTING  
STUPID.

134 HE USED THE AMERICAN "I" FOR SHORT, SHORTLY OF THE FORMAL "I" THAT HE NORMALLY USED



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MEGH...  
I REALLY  
LOVE YOU...

BUT MY  
LOVE FOR YOU IS  
DISAPPEARING—

—HEVDS 2 -END—